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AIRSHIP DISASTER.

GRAPHIC ACCOUNT.

ROARING FURNACE.

NORFOLK, February 22.

Thousands witnessed the disaster to the airship "Roma" which appears to have been filled with hydrogen instead of the inflammable helium with which it was previously filled.

All accounts agree that the huge kite-like rudder slipped down on one side whilst the "Roma" was driving ahead at a high altitude at a good speed. The dirigible did not respond to the elevation lever on which the officer pulled his utmost. The motors were cut off and the sand ballast thrown out in a vain attempt to check the descent. Two men leaped just before the vessel struck and others when the craft was aground dropped through the doors, port holes and holes: they tore in the fabric sides.

A moment later came the roar of explosion and the vessel became a roaring furnace in which the others perished miserably. All efforts at rescue were futile owing to the terrific heat. Nothing was left of the airship except the twisted aluminium framework and six Liberty motors.

BRITISH URGENT CABLES.

SERVICE NOT TO BE ABOLISHED.

LONDON, February 22.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. G. N. Barnes (Labour) who urged the abolition of urgent trebled rate cables, Mr. F. G. Kellaway, the Postmaster-General, said that the urgent service was introduced as a result of representations from commercial men, and while delay was abnormal and urgent services were available to foreign countries, he did not think abolition would be in the interest of British cable users.

FORMER ENEMY VESSELS.

INCHCAPE'S £20,000,000 SALE.

LONDON, February 22.

Lord Inchcape is reported to have completed the sale of former enemy vessels on behalf of the Reparations Commission totalling 2,500,000 tons and realising £20,000,000 sterling. The cost of disposal was only 2 6d. per 100 of the sum realised.

FRENCH NEWS.

PREMIERS MEETING.

Paris, February 22.

According to the papers M. Poincare and Mr. Lloyd George are soon to meet again in Paris to examine momentous problems, notably German payment of reparations in kind and the Genoa conference. —Havas.

FROZEN BALTIC.

STEAMERS ICEBOUND.

STOCKHOLM, February 22.

Eighteen steamers are icebound in the Baltic, some in a critical position. One has already been wrecked. The crew were rescued, the gale blowing icebergs ashore.

SERBIA AND RUMANIA.

ROYAL MARRIAGE CELEBRATED.

BUKHAREST, February 22.

The betrothal of Princess Mary of Rumania to King Alexander of Serbia was officially celebrated at Royal Palace at Cotroceni on February 21.

BOTTOMLEY'S FINANCES.

BOW STREET SUMMONS.

LONDON, February 22.

Mr. Horatio Bottomley has been summoned to Bow Street on March 8 on a charge of conversion to his own use of £5,000 the property of the Victory Boat Club in September of 1919.

NON-COOPERATORS RELEASED.

"CERTAIN UNDERTAKINGS" SIGNED.

CALCUTTA, February 22.

Some 160 non-cooperator prisoners were released from Faridpur jail upon signing certain undertakings.

RUBBER DOWN.

LOWEST RECORDED.

LONDON, February 21.

The rubber market continues flat. Plantation rubber reached the low record of 74 1/2 pence.

FAIRY MONEY.

LONDON, February 22.

At Hockey on ice at Cambridge 5-2.

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ARDREIS ADJOURNS.

ELECTION POSTPONED.

THREE MONTHS' DELAY.

LONDON, February 22.

Agreement was reached at Dublin for adjourning the Ardheis three months' providing no Dail vote shall require the resignation of the Provisional Government and there be no election in the meantime. When the election comes the new constitution under the treaty will be submitted to the country.

REPUBLIC OR FREE STATE.

LATER.

The Ardheis delegates waited two hours before the leaders appeared. Mr. De Valera received an ovation before announcing the agreement, the preamble of which states that the object is to avoid division in the Sinn Fein organisation, and give an opportunity to the treaty signatories to draft a constitution, so as to enable voters at the election to decide between a republic and a free state, the Dail meanwhile continuing to function.

The Ardheis unanimously expressed agreement amidst boisterous enthusiasm. There were no speeches.

RAND STRIKE.

ASSEMBLY DEBATE.

LONDON, February 22.

The strike commandoes on the Rand are continuing their attempts to prevent the miners from working, but in spite of intimidation over a hundred additional men returned to work yesterday.

Great interest centred in the opening of the debate in the Assembly at Capetown on General Hertzog's motion for compulsory arbitration in the strike dispute.

Mr. Boydell, the Labour leader, accused the Government of siding with the mine owners by using police for recruiting "scabs."

General Smuts said that General Hertzog's proposal was as unacceptable as compulsory arbitration had been a failure in Australia. The only way to settle the dispute was to appoint an impartial board which would report to Parliament.

DYNAMITE EXPLOSIONS.

JOHANNESBURG, February 22.

Six dynamite explosions occurred near the springs, damaging the standards at the Victoria Falls power station and cutting off the power at the Geduld Mine.

SEIZED FRENCH STEAMER.

RETALIATION THREATENED.

PARIS, February 23.

The Government has replied to the Greek note mentioned on February 20 threatening retaliatory measures against Greek vessels unless the "Espoir" is released with its cargo intact.

[A London cable dated February 20 stated: The French press is indignant at the Greek seizure in Greek waters of the cargo and coal of the French steamer "Espoir," bound for Mersina, on the ground that she carried contraband of war. They point out that the incident is the more unfortunate as the Allies are about to offer to mediate in the Turco-Greek war. The French Government note to Greece demands the release of the "Espoir," Greece replying that despite friendship for France, she cannot endanger the safety of the Greek army. The Greek note concludes that the "Espoir" will be released after discharging her cargo.]

LISBON QUIET.

CRISIS PASSED.

LONDON, February 21.

A message from Lisbon states that the situation is quite quiet. The army has hitherto supported the Government. Part of the Republican guard has started to surrender arms, but the Government has not returned to Lisbon.

LISBON, February 23.

The crisis has passed without bloodshed. It has apparently resulted at any rate in the temporary overthrow of the Republican Guard which has pulled party strings since the assassination of President Paes. The Government is returning to the capital and the Chamber meets to-morrow.

BANQUE INDUSTRIELLE.

NEGOTIATIONS WITH CHINA.

PARIS, February 23.

The Senate foreign affairs committee has adopted a report approving the opening of negotiations with China with the object of finding means for safeguarding the material and moral interests involved in connection with the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

LONDON HYGIENE SCHOOL.

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LONDON, February 23.

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SIR CHARLES BELL'S TALES
OF TIBET

Sir Charles A. Bell, the British political officer in Sikkim, has arrived in London from the romantic city of Lhasa, known in Tibet for so long as "The Forbidden City." With him was Colonel Kennedy. Far away from civilisation and other white men and women, these two lived for a whole year among strange folk as the guest of their King, who is also a god. Sir Charles Bell is one of the few living Englishmen who have mastered the Tibetan language, and this helped him to become a friend of the great and powerful Dalai Lama, the ruler of Tibet. "Lhasa from the distance," he said, "looks like a provincial town. It is situated on the slope of a mountain. The houses are of stone with flat roofs. Although it is known as the forbidden city we found the people most hospitable. A house was placed at our disposal and all sorts of entertainments arranged for us."

"There is no furniture as we know it. The Tibetans sit and feed on the floor at tables with very short legs."

"The climate was intensely cold when we arrived and for days the temperature in our rooms never rose above freezing point. There were no glass windows. The people of Lhasa use in the place of glass a sort of wax cloth. It lets the wind in, but they are a hardy race and do not appear to feel the discomfort of the cold."

"But on yak, beef, and pork were the staple diet. The Tibetans do not like other chickens or eggs. They do not sleep on beds but on the floor, on which are placed large and downy cushions. You lie on top of these and fold them over you. They are very comfortable and warm."

"The Dalai Lama received me frequently at the palace," said Sir Charles. "He is a wonderful personality. He is not only religious head but secular head of the people. He used to get up at 4 o'clock in the morning and work until midnight. He paid me the great honour of inviting me into the forbidden enclosure of his country palace. This was a little wonderland of flowers, birds, and wild animals, a hidden retreat where he gave deep thought both to his religious and state affairs. Hundreds of canaries were singing here, and there were also stags, pheasants, and a great tiger from Bengal."

"The Dalai Lama is a very wise ruler and is very friendly toward England. He is also a man of very simple tastes."

"I had to return the hospitality and arranged to give a theatrical performance. This was timed to last three days and three different companies were engaged. Judge of my dismay when I was told by the man who was in charge of one of the companies that the play he intended to produce was written for a five-day performance. It was a sort of sex and religious drama."

"I told him that I could not arrange for more than one day's show of his company, and after a time he agreed to cut four days out of it. Eventually the play was performed from 10 a.m. until sunset. All the plays were a combination of religious sentiment and buffoonery, at which the audience roared with laughter for hours."

"There are, practically speaking, no police, no firemen, and no wheeled traffic in Lhasa. The dental service, too, is rather crude. If a man suffers from toothache he goes with a few friends on to the flat roof of his house. His friends bring a big stone, round which they fasten a string. The string is then tied to the bad tooth and the stone dropped over the roof-top. Two or three friends hold on to the patient to prevent him from going over, too."

Bolton monuments are being systematically plundered by thieves. Bronze busts and small figures are removed bodily from their pedestals, and, as already reported, some of the crowns have been stolen from the Avenue of Victory. The latest object of such depredations has been the Bismarck memorial in the big square opposite the Reichstag. During the night robbers broke off from the figure of Bismarck, at the foot of the statue, a sword more than a yard long, and succeeded in getting away with it.

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LORD LYTON APPOINTED.

The King has been pleased to appoint the appointment of the Earl of Lytton to be Governor of Bengal in succession to the Earl of Ronaldshay, G.C.I.E., who will vacate the office in March, 1922.

The Earl of Lytton's connection with India may be said to date from his birth, for he first saw the light at Government House, Simla, shortly after his father, the second baron and first earl, had entered upon his duties as Viceroy and Governor-General. From Eton he went to Trinity College, Cambridge, where, as a member of the Amateur Dramatic Club, he scored a distinct success in "Money," one of the best known of his distinguished grandfather's plays. On leaving the University the Earl of Lytton went abroad to study modern languages and travelled for some years on the Continent. For some considerable time his energies were devoted to what may be called practical social economy. He has been closely identified with the work of Trust Houses (Ltd.), of which he is chairman, while another branch of activity which has always attracted him is housing and town-planning, and he is president of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust and of the Welwyn Garden City Ltd. He was a keen supporter of the cause of female suffrage, and has done much useful work in connection with popular social clubs, more especially for boys, and in relation to the care and education of State-aided children, both poor and delinquent. He has rendered very valuable service to International Trade Exhibitions as chairman of the Royal Commission for the Brussels, Rome, and Turin Exhibitions, 1910-11.

Lord Lytton's official training and experience began in 1901, when he was appointed assistant private secretary to the late Mr. George Wyndham, then Chief Secretary for Ireland. In 1916 he became Civil Lord of the Admiralty in the first Coalition Government, and in the following year he acted as Government spokesman for the Navy in the House of Lords, with the office of Additional Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty. A period of work as British Commissioner for Propaganda in France followed and in 1919 he returned to the Admiralty as Civil Lord, and was made a Privy Councillor. In September, 1920, he succeeded Lord Sinha as Under-Secretary for India. The Countess of Lytton is the daughter of the late Sir Trevor Chichele-Plowden, for many years Resident at Hyderabad. They have two sons and two daughters. The eldest son, Viscount Knabworth, is at Eton, while his younger brother is destined for the Navy.

In going to India in 1916 as Governor of Bengal the Earl of Ronaldshay, the eldest surviving son and heir of the Marquis of Zetland, returned to the East to pick up the threads of his previous studies of Oriental problems, which had made

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him one of those Englishmen really competent to speak with authority on the questions affecting the Indian Empire. Educated at Harrow and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he was a contemporary of the Earl of Lytton, he, soon after leaving the University set out on his wanderings. In 1898 he went to Ceylon, and spent the next five years in India, (where for a time he was A.D.C. on the staff of the Viceroy, the Marquis Curzon), Persia, Asiatic Turkey, Central Asia, and Siberia. In 1906 and 1907 he was in Japan, China, and Burma. He made two long journeys right across from the Caspian to the Sea of Japan, becoming familiar with the methods of Russia's stealthy march eastward. He took full advantage of the opportunities afforded him of studying on the spot the problems which confronted the Governments of the countries he visited and their relation to and influence on the attitude of Western Powers to the peoples of Asia. The observations Lord Ronaldshay made and the conclusions at which he arrived are set out in the books he subsequently published: "Sport and Politics under an Eastern Sky," "On the Outskirts of Empire in Asia," "A Wandering Student in the Far East," and "An Eastern Miacellany." In 1907 he was returned to the House of Commons as Unionist member for the Hornsey Division of Middlesex, and proved a valuable addition to the small group of members able to speak with first-hand knowledge upon some of the most vital problems of Empire. He held the seat till the end of 1916, when he was appointed Governor of Bengal in succession to Lord Carmichael of Skirling.

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Captain Neilsen said that just after leaving port his vessel ran into terrible weather. Mountainous seas swept the ship, almost engulfing her at times. The crew had to cut away the sails and throw the deck cargo of timber overboard to enable the ship to right herself.

The seas were so heavy, says Captain Neilsen, that they had to put on lifebelts, and as his craft developed a serious leak they had to man the pumps and work them all day and night. Their food and water ran out. The men became exhausted, and for several days the vessel drifted about aimlessly, passing one lightsip, whose name they did not know, no fewer than five times.

Then the vessel drifted into the Downs. Their signal for help was then seen by the Deal boatmen, who boarded the craft, manned the pumps, which the crew had relinquished, and got the ship into Ramsgate Harbour.

INCURIOS MEN.

WHY DO BRIGHT BOYS GROW UP DULL?

"Why is it that children are often so bright and interesting and the grown-ups so dull and uninteresting?"

The Master of Balliol (Mr. A. L. Smith), presiding at the annual meeting of the Science Masters' Association, held at the Imperial College of Science and Technology, South Kensington, W., quoted this witty saying by a Frenchman, and added: "What has happened in the interval? The answer is Education." (Laughter.)

He urged that the natural curiosity of children was a great help if used and encouraged properly. Boys always wanted to know why the blessed thing went off and hit them in the eye. (Laughter.) Science could be and ought to be part of the human education. History ought to be taught properly.

Children, he said, should not be given the impression that King Alfred was the person who discovered you could not burn your cake at both ends and eat it too. (Laughter.) To a professor who asked, "What would King Alfred, if he were alive now, think of the Home Rule Bill?" a boy returned the admirable answer, "If King Alfred were alive now he would be too old to be interested in politics." (Loud laughter.)

Major Sladden, D.S.O. (Eton College), the honorary secretary, stated that the membership of the Science Masters' Association had doubled since its beginning. The total number is now about 650, representing 350 different schools.

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Also

A quantity of Structural Steelwork

sufficient for 3 complete sheds, 60 feet

by 25 feet and sundry other steel-

work, and rain water pipes, gutters,

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Lot may be inspected on Monday,

the 6th March, 1922.

Also sale of Old and Surplus

Victrola Stores at Kowloon on Fri-

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Comprising:—

Corned Beef, Tinned Rabbit, Salt

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INTIMATIONS

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD.

THE THIRTY EIGHTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Charter Road, Victoria, on FRIDAY, the 3rd March, 1922, at 11 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1921, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED on WEDNESDAY, the 22nd February, 1922, until FRIDAY, the 3rd March, 1922, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, February 17, 1922.

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, on FRIDAY, the 3rd day of March 1922, at 11.30 o'clock, in the forenoon when the subjoined Resolutions will be proposed as Extraordinary Resolutions.

1. That Article 105 of this Company's Articles of Association be altered as follows:—

(a) By the insertion of "\$10,000" in the place of "\$8,000" in the fifth line thereof.

(b) By striking out in the ninth and tenth lines thereof the words "for each financial year of the Company" and inserting in place thereof the words "in every year wherein such profits shall not exceed in the aggregate the sum of \$150,000, and a commission of ten per cent per annum on all the net profits of the Company in excess of that sum."

2. That the above Resolutions (No. 1) be retrospective and take effect from the 1st day of January, 1922.

Should the above Resolutions be passed by the required majority, they will be submitted for confirmation as Special Resolutions to a further Extraordinary General Meeting and such Meeting will be held on MONDAY, the 20th day of March 1922, at the same time and place for the purpose of considering and if thought fit confirming such Resolutions as Special Resolutions accordingly.

Dated the 15th day of February, 1922.

By Order of the Board,

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,

General Managers.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, at 3.30 p.m. on SATURDAY, March 4th 1922, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1921.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 20th February, to SATURDAY, 4th March 1922, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

KAN TONG PO,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 13, 1922.

HONGKONG HOTEL CO., LTD.

Proposed New Issue of Shares to Members on the Register on 17th February, 1922.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to 25th February, 1922, both days inclusive.

Dated the 7th February, 1922.

By Order of the Board,

H. N. BEAUREPAIRE,

Secretary.

Hongkong, February 7, 1922.

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 22nd of February, to TUESDAY, the 28th February, 1922, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

M. MANUK,

Secretary.

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UNIVERSITY OF HONGKONG.

NOTICE.

THE Rev. C. B. SHANN, has been appointed to act as Deputy Registrar with authority to sign on behalf of the University from February, 23rd to March 15th, 1922.

N. TEESDALE MACKINTOSH,
Registrar.
Hongkong, February 21, 1922.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Fourth Day.

ON SATURDAY, 25th inst. the FIRST RACE will be started at NOON.

H. BIRKETT,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, February 22, 1922.

THE TACK KEE CLUB.

(Non-selling Cash Sweep).

HONGKONG DERBY 1922.

As the above has not been fully subscribed, the Directors have decided to cancel the same and to redeem all tickets.

Holders of tickets should apply to the above Club on the Race Course during the races. The place of payment thereafter will be advertised.

HONGKONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

NEXT TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, February 25th 1922,

at the

THEATRE ROYAL, at 9.15 p.m.

Ten Round Featherweight Contest.

A. B. Chadwick v. A. B. Hindle.

Ten Round Middleweight Contest.

O. S. Lewendon v. A. B. Duncan.

Ten Round Catchweight Contest.

Sto. P. O. Morgan.

Chief P. O. Callaghan.

And three six-round contests.

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February 20th and 21st.

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April 1st, at

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Others please apply to Hon. Secretary

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MARRIAGE.

READ—GRIERSON.—On December 31, 1921, at London, John Theodore Read, of the Asiatic Petroleum Company, Ltd., Shanghai, and eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. G. Read, Faringdon, Berks, England, to Dorothy, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Grierson, Warwick Road, Ealing, London.

DEATHS.

HUNT.—On February 12, 1922, at Shanghai, Edward Hunt of Wanchow, aged 61 years.
ROWDEN.—On February 12, 1922, at Shanghai, Edmund Percy Rowden, Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.
FLEMINGS.—On February 13, 1922, at Shanghai, Philip Stanley, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Flemings, age 4 months.

The China Mail.

"BEST, FASTEST, PUBLIC SERVICE"

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, FEB 23 1922

REGISTRATION OF SERVANTS.

The old desire for registration of servants is to the fore again, and the old arguments for one side or the other are being repeated. Those for the servants may not be forthcoming until there are indications that the discussion threatens to become more than academic. The fact is that a good case can be made out for either side. Locally the matter has jumped into the field of attention after a long lull, merely because of a Shanghai agitation for registration.

and because our journalists, ever eager for topical interest, have seen in it an opportunity.

The first thought that occurs to the *China Mail* about it, is that at present the proposal is untimely. If the Chinese object to registration, it seems undesirable to override their wishes just at this time when industrial unrest is very much in the air, on the very heels, in fact, of a rumour (true or not) that our domestic servants were discontented and flirting with the idea of a concerted strike.

It is generally remarked, both here and at Shanghai, that servants are not what they used to be. We do not doubt that the complaint has its substratum of fact. How could they be, with all that has happened and is happening, with all the wild seeds of propaganda that have been flying about? Moreover—the *China Mail* apologises in advance for this less majestic, but in the interests of science and logic dares not ignore it as an essential factor—it is necessary to enquire if perchance the masters and mistresses are what they used to be!

Old Chinese servants, with whom relations of confidence have been established, have the boldness to assert that masters and mistresses are not what they were in the good old times when relations were better than now.

The one proposition is as likely as the other. The times have changed, and it is probable that employers as well as employed have changed with them. The times are "harder," which fact could explain masters and mistresses being harder too. If the cost of living has gone up, the servants' demands must be greater. If the cost of living has gone up, the reluctance of the employers to meet these greater demands must be diffident.

Due apart from such economic changes, let us admit that the old

time quiet, respectful, efficient, and devoted servant is rarer than he was. It is true. Is it so very wicked to suggest that the old, easy-going, benevolent, semi-aristocratic master is rarer than he was? That, in short, local servants are experiencing precisely the same alterations in the characters of their employers (exceptions duly allowed for) that servants at home have experienced? Are we more suspicious in our attitude towards our servants? A local magistrate lecturing the ladies a month or so ago seemed to suggest that we might gain by being more distrustful. It is said that the wife of the jealous man is the most liable to stray from virtue's path and if so it seems to follow that a servant always suspected, always jealously cross-examined and watched, would be most likely to feel the temptation to be "hanged for the sheep" rather than for the lamb. There are said to be houses in Shanghai which servants boycott. There are such in Hongkong. We cannot, of course, speak to them all, but we know of some houses so boycotted that thoroughly deserved it, and we have nothing but sympathy for servants who warn each other against an "impossible" employer. Is registration needed to help such people, who do not know how to treat a good servant when they get one? Even in the relation of master and servant, as in marriage, there must be reciprocity, some "give and take." A hired servant is not a slave, nor to be treated like one. Some of them are very serious and dignified people, with self-esteem as precious as our own. We do not care to make racial comparisons where they may hurt the feelings of individuals, but references to Ceylon's registration of servants compels us to remark that it is well known and understood that a German makes a very good waiter while an Englishman as a rule does not. In the same way there is a similar difference between the servant class usual in Ceylon and the Chinese servants. A certain type of employer requires a lot of servility as well as service. Some races are more easily servile than others. Chinese are never servile. At least, from a large experience we cannot recall one. Can any reader? We have a copy of a Ceylon servant's registration book as we write and we may say at once that in our opinion a duplication of it would never be made to work with Chinese servants. We have no objection to see it tried. That, we think, would provide a testimonial to our presence. There are good servants and bad servants, and there are good employers and bad employers. Possibly the wisest plan will be to let them shake themselves into some sort of adjustment, as now. There is no need at present to advance the Chinese arguments against the kind of registration being asked for at Shanghai. We may do that later on if necessary. But we may say before dropping the subject that we think the *Daily Press* yesterday made a very important point when it said whatever be attempted in this line should not be done by or in connection with our Police Department. That is very sound advice, and we would repeat it as a serious warning.

Indians in the Sookumpoo Valley. At this model institution the boys are encouraged to grow vegetables and flowers. They recently tried potatoes. If the sample which reached this office is at all representative then the school whose pupils grew it seems in a fair way to solve the problem of agitating half-Britain. Given a crop large enough it never feathery attacks on education by Geddes, Inchcape and other economy experts. Leastwise, the school has set a fine example for other similar institutions in the Colony with the necessary facilities for vegetable gardening. If the Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians has not entered any exhibits for the forthcoming horticultural show it certainly should. They would surprise many people.

The Joys of Nonconforming.

A *China Mail* leader writer, moralising on the "desolate appearance of such a lot of Hongkong and off remote from the Race Course and off the main role to it," warned Nonconformists the prevailing passion against being their impressions would gain publicity through this paper as he considered the nonconforming eye would be banished. While the luckless writer of this note, for reasons that will so appear, makes no attempt to establish complete innocence of the charge does claim the right, as one who is not *willingly* nonconformist, to give expression to impressions which he will excite neither interest nor sympathy from the heedless through "being mad" but hopes will at least have his feelings, a motive no more selfless than the enjoyment of the who made holiday free. "Hongkong as it looks in Race Week to those of a Nonconformist" was the title of our leader writer's suggestion. "Hongkong as it looks" sounds over the telephone to a harassed newspaper man "might serve as a head for this note since the the leader person admits that the most Hongkong attends the races. The telephoned burr. Above the grating andacking a voice bawling racing resu. A starting bell rings somewhere. The general buzz in the press increases. Ladies are heard laughing faintly, reporters cursing low. All the time the sums that other people have won are being shouted over wires, and the weary pen automatically follows the strident voice. The band—confound its cheerfulness—all but drowns every other sound clicking and clacking included, something like "Air" we got for the telephone rings in his ears: the luckless one leans back to wmoodyly for the next "event."

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Three cases of plague and one fatal case of small pox, all Chinese, were killed yesterday.

Blackie, former German Vice-consul at Hankow, has arrived in Shanghai to join the local Consulate in a similar capacity, taking place of Dr. K. Schirmer, who has been transferred to Tientsin.

John Cowen, well known to journals in the Far East, who found the *China Times* Tientsin 1916, is returning to Tientsin and will shortly assume the editorship of the *North China Daily Mail*. Mr. Cowen first came to China 1900, and prior to that year was the editorial staff of the *Times*.

A enterprising departure in commemorative work is reported from Tientsin, where various Chinese organisations have decided to erect six statues in the public gardens to merchants who are reputed as traitors. A go-betweening surely for something "terrible" the style of Madame Tussauds chamber of horrors, suggests Shanghai paper.

A special steamer for the accommodation of H.R.H. the Prince of Wales when he visits Lake Biwa will be consigned to the Taiho Steamship Company and the order has been placed with the Mitsubishi Company. The keel has already been laid at Otsu, an accord to the builders, the vessel, which will be of 400 tons, with a speed of 12 knots, will be launched on April 6.

Information from Peking in dioxides that the Chinese Government has decided to confer upon Marshal Fong the first class order of the *Chihao*. In connection with the Marshal's visit to China, the Police authorities of the Capital have given instructions to all shopkeepers to hit their flags on the day of his arrival in Peking. February 25. Local Chinese are preparing a *Jaifu* and torch procession and will off parade on the night of Feb. 10, the day following his arrival in Shanghai. General Ho Tsung-chang, Military Governor of Shantung and Sungkiang, will hold a reception.

SPECIAL CABLES.

SHANGHAI NEWS.

WASHINGTON BIRTHDAY BALL.

(*China Mail Special*.)

SHANGHAI, February 23. The Washington birthday ball in the Town Hall was a brilliant success. Fifteen hundred people were present. They were received by the American Consul-General and Mrs. Cunningham. The decorations were magnificent. A feature of the function was the historical dance pagant.

TRAFFIC PROBLEM.

The Municipal Council is considering the report on Shanghai's traffic problem. Mr. J. B. Hamilton, the Traffic Manager of the Leeds Corporation Tramways, was a recent visitor. At the special request of the Council Mr. Hamilton made an independent survey of the problem.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A branch of the Public Health Association of China is to be organized in Canton.

Set upon by an unknown man, a Samsui Chinese is now in the Tung Wah Hospital suffering from scalp wounds.

Among the passengers who sailed by the C.P.S. s.s. "Empress of Russia" this morning were Captain and Mrs. W. Davidson, and Flight Lieut. C.I. North.

Mr. Maurice A. Browne, B.A., (Cantab) has joined the editorial staff of the *Shanghai Times* as assistant editor. Mr. Browne was accompanied from home by his wife.

Report states that places in the Chaochow, Chienhoi, and Chaoyang districts suffered "terrible earthquakes" on February 16 lasting two hours. Many persons were killed and nearly 200 houses destroyed.

The Canton Municipal Executive Committee has decided to organize an "architecture investigating association, to limit the speed of motor boats on the "Pearl River," and to increase the land price of the side-walks along the Sai-ho Malo.

According to the *Canton Times* the magistrate of the Namhoi district hopes to establish 300 primary schools for children during the next six months and to have 600 at the end of the year. He proposes to turn all private schools into public ones.

A notorious bandit leader named Tam Yu was captured by the Magistrate of the Nam Hoi district on Tuesday. Tam and his gang fought desperately when attacked in the market place of Nai-shui but together with ten of his followers he was taken by the soldiers.

The latest issue of the *Far Eastern Traveller's Gazette*, an illustrated journal devoted to travel published by Messrs. Thos. Cook and Son, is replete as usual with information invaluable to the tourist. Among other interesting features is an informative article headed "China for the Tourist."

The marriage is to take place on Saturday of Mr. C. Cumbersworth Todd and Miss Madeleine Hillier, daughter of Mr. E. G. Hillier, Peking agent of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and British representative of the new Consortium. The wedding is to be solemnized at the Church of St. Michel, Peking.

In connection with the forthcoming visit of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales Madam Lottie Gordon writes that she has almost completed an "Ode of Welcome" (words and music by herself) entitled "We Welcome Thee." It is possible, she suggests, that arrangements may be made to have it sung here on the day of His Royal Highness's arrival.

The wedding took place the other day at Peking Union Medical College of Miss Jane Blanche Smith and Mr. Herbert Glenn Cooper, of the China Electric Company. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Philip A. Swartz. Mr. G. W. Van Tubergen officiated as best man, while Messrs. F. C. Bailey, A. B. Fisher, H. Worthing and C. D. Merritt were ushers. Following the service a reception was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Rudbeck.

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SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

NO SIGN OF DELEGATES.

There was no fresh development in regard to the seamen's strike during this morning but it was hoped that the seamen's delegates who took the Government's answer to the proposals of the Ting Wah Hospital up to Canton would arrive back by the midday train. It is reported that the strikers held mass meetings at Canton yesterday.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon nobody had heard anything of the delegates who are evidently still at Canton. The number of ships in port to-day was 160.

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

THIS AFTERNOON'S BRIEF MEETING.

The second reading of the bills to provide for police supervision of certain persons and to amend further the Opium Ordinance was considered by a meeting of the Legislative Council this afternoon.

Those present were:—

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Reginald Edward Stubbs, K.C.M.G.

The Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Dr. Claud Severn, C.M.G., LL.D.

The Attorney-General, the Hon. Mr. J. H. Kemp, C.R.E., K.C.

The Colonial Treasurer, the Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer, O.B.E.

The Secretary for Chinese Affairs, the Hon. Mr. E. B. Hallifax, O.B.E.

The Director of Education, the Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving.

The Director of Public Works, the Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.

The Hon. Mr. E. V. D. Parr.

The Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen.

The Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak.

The Hon. Mr. Chow Shou-sun.

The Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang.

Mr. A. G. M. Fletcher, O.B.E., Clerk of Councils.

The Colonial Secretary tabled the report of the Finance Committee and the jurors list.

The Attorney-General moved and the Colonial Secretary seconded the second reading of the bill to provide for police supervision of certain persons and after the measure had been considered in committee it passed the third reading.

The bill to amend further the Opium Ordinance, on the motion of the Attorney-General seconded by the Colonial Secretary, passed through the committee stage but following a question by the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu-pak regarding the definition of "opium divan" the third reading was postponed until the next meeting.

COLOMBO'S CLOCK TOWER.

TO BE MADE OF GREATER USE TO SHIPPING.

It is already well known, says the *Times of Ceylon*, that the Colombo Clock Tower is to be moved at some date in the near future, probably to a site on Galle Buck, where it will serve its original purpose, a light-house for the guidance of ships coming to Colombo. The police have represented that this tower, standing at such an important corner, is a source of danger to vehicular traffic, and it was further deemed advisable to move the tower, for with the growth of Colombo, another skyscraper is likely to come up in the vicinity, and the tower will then be practically invisible at sea.

The Clock Tower was built in 1854, when Sir Henry Ward was Governor. The town clock, the chimes and the lantern arrangements are all on the first floor.

It is not generally known that an officer of the Survey Department has proved, by means of a combined aneroid and vibrated instrument that the Clock Tower leans over at times during a change in the direction of the wind and with an increase in the velocity. It has been noticed that the vibrations have a habit of commencing at about nine o'clock every morning, at a time when traffic is most likely to commence to become heavy.

The aneroid instrument was set up in the clock room, at a height of about 88 feet above road level, and the inclination of the tower was about one third of an inch at this height. This leaning over, said Mr. J. E. Evans of the Colombo Observatory, has its analogy in nature. Several times, notably the famous storm of 1884, the tower has been tilted to the right and left, and it is not unlikely that it will be tilted again.

CHINA COAST.

LATEST SHIPPING CHANGES.

Captain T. W. Pickard, of the "Whangpu," is on reserve. Captain E. L. Jones, from reserve, has gone master, "Whangpu."

Captain N. H. Leitch, from reserve, has gone master, "Kiangsu."

Mr. E. H. Histed, second officer, "Chinhua," is on reserve.

Mr. D. Wilson, second officer, "Kiangyuan," has gone second officer, "Taming."

Mr. H. Appleton, chief officer, "Whangpu," is on leave. Mr. J. M. Hopkins, chief officer, "Yunnan," has gone chief officer, "Whangpu."

Mr. C. Mather, chief officer, "Chenau," is on leave.

Mr. A. Fillingham, chief officer, "Fengtien," has gone chief officer, "Shuntien." Mr. A. Robertson, chief officer, "Wuchang," has gone chief officer, "Fengtien." Mr. N. Pinkney, chief officer, "Shuntien," is on reserve.

Mr. L. W. Harrison, second officer, "Kwangsue," has gone second officer, "Ngankin." Mr. St. J. H. Curtis, second officer, "Ngankin," is on reserve.

Mr. D. Kerr, from reserve has gone chief engineer, "Sunning."

Mr. I. Roberts, chief engineer, "Shengking," has retired. Mr. A. Hamilton, chief engineer, "Suiyang," has gone chief engineer, "Shengking."

Mr. P. A. Maitland, from reserve, has gone chief engineer, "Kwangsue."

Mr. M. G. Sinclair, from reserve, has gone third engineer, "Tungchow."

Mr. A. Mackenzie, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Whangpu."

Mr. A. H. McGregor, second engineer, "Whangpu," has gone sup's second engineer, "Sunning."

Captain J. R. Reid, of the "Luenbo," is on reserve.

Captain J. M. Wright, from reserve, has gone master, "Luenbo."

Captain J. Jackson, from leave, has gone master, "Suiwo."

Mr. J. W. Best has been appointed second officer, "Suiwo."

Captain A. S. Woodgett, from leave, has gone master, "Fausang."

Mr. R. Tully, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Loongwo." Mr. R. G. Palmer, acting chief officer, "Loongwo," has gone sup's second officer, "Hangsang."

Mr. J. H. Smith, sup's second officer, "Hangsang," is on reserve.

Mr. W. Brewer, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Fausang." Mr. T. A. Lupton, from leave, has gone second officer, "Fausang." Mr. W. McAllen has been appointed third officer, "Fausang." Mr. R. Bates has been appointed sup's second officer, "Fausang."

Mr. J. Henderson has been appointed sup's third engineer, "Wingsang."

Mr. D. O. Tibburn, second engineer, "Luenyi," is on leave. Mr. J. R. Seed, from reserve, has gone second engineer, "Luenyi."

Mr. R. E. Laker, from leave, has gone second engineer, "Suiwo."

Mr. A. Connal, third engineer, "Fausang," is on leave. Mr. C. C. Meldrum, fourth engineer, "Fausang," has gone third engineer, "Fausang."

Mr. P. Yeffoff, second officer, "Yushun," is on reserve. Mr. S. M. Copp, from reserve, has gone second officer, "Yushun."

Mr. J. McA. Farquhar, chief officer, "Kiangyu," has gone chief officer, "Haining."

Mr. C. Handrikson, from leave, has gone chief officer, "Kiangyu."

Mr. E. Helms, third engineer, "Hainchiang," has gone third engineer, "Hainchi."

"PASSION FLOWER."

GREAT SPANISH DRAMA FILMED.

Adapted from a remarkable play, "The Passion Flower," First National's great feature attraction which comes to the Corbett Theatre this evening, is a remarkable film. Known as the Bernard Shaw of Spain, its author, Jacinto Benavente, is that country's greatest living dramatist. He has over eight brilliant plays to his credit and a couple of years ago won the Nobel prize for literature. "The Passion Flower" is a vivid tale of Spanish peasant life in which he, hatred, jealousy, and tragedy figure, made a profound impression upon the Broadway last season. Produced by Herbert Brenon, one of the screen's most ambitious directors, the film is even more effective than the play in its dramatic scope and artistic setting. America's greatest emotional actress, the beautiful and captivating Norma Talmadge, plays the leading role. As the lady dancer, Acacia, in this colourful picture of sunny Spain, Norma Talmadge fairly achieves her masterpiece. The play's contrasted romance and tragedy each finding her at the height of her fascinating art. "The Passion Flower," which is scheduled as a picture, not suitable for children, stands out of the really fine entertainment of the silent drama.

COMPANY REPORTS.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO. LTD.

The report of the above company for presentation to the shareholders at the 38th ordinary general meeting to be held at the office of the Company on Friday, March 3, at 11 o'clock a.m., is as follows:

The balance at Credit of Profit and Loss Account after allowing for the Interim Dividend of \$80,000.00 paid in September last and including the Balance of \$949.93 brought forward from 1920, is \$205,271.37, which it is proposed to appropriate as follows:

To Place to Reserve Fund \$ 5,000.00
To Place to Equalisation of Dividend Account \$50,000.00
To Pay a bonus to staff \$ 4,084.63
To Bonus to Mr. C. Kinck on retirement \$15,000.00
To Pay a final Dividend of \$1 per share \$60,000.00
To Bonus of \$1 per share \$60,000.00
And to carry forward to the credit of next year's account \$11,185.74

Consulting Committee.—Mr. J. H. Wallace resigned on leaving the Colony, and Mr. P. A. Cox was invited to take his place on the Consulting Committee. In accordance with the Articles of Association Messrs. A. O. Lang, P. A. Cox and H. P. White, retire, but offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Linstead and Davis for Mr. P. Maitland and by Mr. H. Percy Smith, Messrs. Linstead and Davis and Percy Smith, Seth and Fleming are eligible for election.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.

Hongkong, February 17, 1922.

HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK CO. LTD.

Subject to final Audit, the Directors of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. will recommend to the shareholders at the forthcoming annual general meeting the following allocation of the profit for the past year: viz.—

To pay to Shareholders a final Dividend of \$5.00, per share and Bonus of \$11.00 per share making (with Interim Dividend of \$4.00 per share) \$20.00 per share for the year 1921.

To write off Building and Plant \$919,891.43
To pay a Bonus to Staff 120,000.00
And carry forward to next year about 800,000.00

LOCAL RACES.

PLACED JOCKEYS.

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Hill	9	1	5
Knoll	4	9	2
Doyle	4	5	4
Vida	4	2	
Burkill	3	5	4
Pinkerton	3	2	
Moller	2	2	3
Thompson	2	2	4
Dupree	1	5	4
Spinks	1		
Sewell	2		
Soares	1	1	
Namaze	1		
Bell-Irving	2		
Spragge	1		
White	1		
Remedios	1		

PLACED OWNERS.

	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
Sir Paul Chate	7	5	7
Messrs. G. H. Potts and Ellis Ham	3	1	4
Mr. G. C. Moxa	3		
Mr. Hector Sasson	2	2	
Dr. C. Forsyth	2	1	1
Hon. Mr. A. G. Stephen	2	1	
Mr. Topsie	2		
Sir Ellis Karkine	1	2	2
Mr. H. Birkett	1	2	1
Mr. Henry Hupphreys	1	2	
Mr. Towers	1	2	
Mr. Allsue	1	2	
Mr. J. Ball-Irving	1	1	2
Lady Chater	1	1	1
Messrs. Stepe and Sitt	1	1	
Hon. Mr. P. B. Holyoak	1		
Messrs. J. Bell-Irving and J. H. Pearson	1		
Mr. Cotter	1		
Mr. Dyer	1		
Mr. John Peel	5	1	
Mr. Gilpin	3	1	
Mr. A. A. Alve	1		
Mr. Nemaze	1		
Dr. P. H. Koe	1	2	
Mr. G. B. Harford	1		
Sir Edward Stubs	1		
Mr. Dynasty	1		
Mr. B. Maogob	1		
Mr. C. B. Thompson	1		
Mr. Soares	1		
Mr. Dods	1		

*One dead heat for third place.

SIR CHARLES ADDIS.

ADDRESS TO CHINESE BANKERS.

Peking, Feb. 15.—Sir Charles Addis was the guest of the Chinese Bankers' Association this evening at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, where he delivered a most interesting address. Sir Charles referred to the part education would play in the healing of the unhappy divisions in China, but contended that the unity which every sensible patriot desired would not come until public opinion was ready for it and that would not be until the intellectual classes and the business men had joined hands. He commented most favourably on the remarkable increase in number and importance of native joint stock banks and their co-operation with public finance, and indicated the Consortium's readiness to finance constructive enterprises, while it was ready to co-operate with Chinese banks in finding a solution for China's financial difficulties. But if the foreign and Chinese investor were to be attracted, he must be satisfied that he would receive the interest on the due dates and the ultimate return of his capital.

DEED OF FOREIGN SUPERVISION. Since all experience of such transactions in China had shown that an effective degree of foreign supervision was indispensable, because China had not yet evolved a satisfactory system of control of public expenditure, he thought that the time had come for a frank exchange of views on this vital point, but he emphasized that such measures were merely temporary and would be relaxed as soon as possible.

Sir Charles Addis considered that the unification of the railway systems of China would be an important step towards co-ordination and consolidating the security which China had to offer for further borrowings.

TREMENDOUS POSSIBILITIES. Sir Charles added that he was leaving China with a profound impression of her tremendous possibilities, which, as never before, were opening up this wonderful country with its unvalued and largely undeveloped resources, its virile and sober population, its capacity for self-government, its traditions of law and order and its high standard of rectitude.

Sir Charles Addis concluded with the earnest wish that united China would assume the place among the nations to which she was called by her inherent greatness.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ADVERTISED IN THE "MAIL."

ENTERTAINMENTS.

February 23.—Coronet Theatre, Norma Talmadge in "The Passion Flower" (not for children.) Hongkong Theatre, "Fruits of Passion." World Theatre, "Luxury, Splendour, Riches, Temptation, Conquest, R. generation." Kowloon Theatre, Dorothy Dalton in "Hard Boiled."

February 24.—Royal Dockyard Recreation Club, annual ball. City Hall, 8.30 p.m.

SPORTING EVENTS.

February 25.—Hongkong Jockey Club race meeting, fourth day. The Hongkong Handicap.

February 25.—Hongkong Boxing Association's tournament. Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

March 31.—Hongkong Boxing Association, novices' tournament. Theatre Royal.

April 1.—Hongkong Boxing Association, novices' tournament. Theatre Royal.

OTHER EVENTS.

March 2.—Hongkong Horticultural Society's annual show. Botanic Gardens.

PUBLIC AUCTION SALES.

March 1.—Hughes and Hough, a large number of well-known race ponies. Jockey Club Stables, 5 p.m.

March 3.—Hughes and Hough, Chinese porcelains, curios, lacquered ware, etc. Sales Rooms 2.30 p.m.

March 10.—Hughes and Hough, old and surplus victualling stores. Kowloon Naval Depot, 9.30 a.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

March 3.—The Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd., 95th. ordinary annual meeting. St. George's Building, Chater Road, 11 a.m.

March 5.—Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., extraordinary general meeting. Hongkong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.

March 4.—Bank of East Asia, Ltd., 3rd. ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders. Registered office, No. 10 Des Voeux Road Central, 3.30 p.m.

OTHER MEETINGS.

February 28.—Kowloon Residents Association, annual general meeting. St. Andrew's Hall, Kowloon, 6 p.m.

CRICKET.

I.R.C. v H.K.C.C.

The following will represent the I.R.C. in their match against the H.K.C.C. on the latter ground on Saturday at 2.15 p.m.:—S. H. Ismail (Captain), S. A. Ismail, S. A. R. Ismail, R. Nazaria, O. Rumjahn, H. D. Rumjahn, A. R. M. Samy, N. B. Kitchell, A. H. Madar, F. M. Arculli and A. Kitchell. Reserve:—M. P. Madar.

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JAVA CHINA JAPAN LYN.

Hongkong, February 21, 1922.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

(CONSIGNEES of Cargo for Hongkong per a.s. "CITY OF SIMLA" are hereby notified that owing to the present state of affairs in Hongkong due to strike of seamen, etc. cargo for Hongkong due to strike of seamen, etc. cargo for Hongkong has been carried on in the vessel and is being retained on board until her return to Hongkong. Ports of call in the meantime are Shanghai, Kobe, Hakodate, Yokohama, Kobe, Nagasaki and Shanghai, and steamer will also drydock at Yokohama. Consignees are recommended to make necessary arrangements as to insurance, etc.

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G. R. PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS and Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 27th day of February, 1922, at 2 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by order of His Excellency the Governor, of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Pokfulam Road, in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Sq. Ft.	Annual Rent	Upset Price
1	N. S. E. W.			
2	N. S. E. W.			
3	N. S. E. W.			
4	N. S. E. W.			
5	N. S. E. W.			
6	N. S. E. W.			
7	N. S. E. W.			
8	N. S. E. W.			
9	N. S. E. W.			
10	N. S. E. W.			

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7	N. S. E. W.			
8	N. S. E. W.			
9	N. S. E. W.			
10	N. S. E. W.			

MAN-WOMAN-MARRIAGE

YOUTHFUL SNATCHER.

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Six months' jail and twelve strokes was the sentence passed this morning on a 16-year old Chinese boy convicted of having stolen a gold ear-pick from a woman in Hollywood Road yesterday. The boy said that he had accidentally knocked the pick out of the woman's hair as he passed her, but the Magistrate said this excuse failed to explain the finding of the pick a hundred yards away.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Chak Sang, (J.M. & Co.) from Calcutta, Singapore.—Stonecutters.
Jacox, (P.M.S.S. Co.) from Calcutta, Singapore.—C. 37.
Phan Samud, (Kwong Nguan Seng) from Swatow.—B. 22.
Tsuruga Maru, (N.Y.K.) from Osaka, Moji.—A. 30.

CLEARANCES.

Kwang Chow, (B. & S.) for Singapore via Hoihow.—Feb. 22.
Taketo Maru, (N.Y.K.) from New York via Muroran.—Feb. 23.

NEW GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

RELIEVING THE PRESSURE.

In front of the building which does duty, *inter alia*, as a Legislative Council Chamber, preliminary excavations are being gone ahead with for the erection of a four-storied structure to provide extra accommodation for the Government Offices. Originally it was to have been a three-storied building but the design has been altered to provide for a fourth storey. It will be more useful than ornamental and will contain roomy, well-lit offices for the draughtsmen who are tumbling over one another in their present quarters. It has not been definitely decided yet how the available accommodation will be parcelled out but it is probable that the water supply, survey and building authority people will be transferred there. The new building is to cost \$80,000 and should be ready next November.

Mr. M. K. Kempton, former manager of the Shanghai branch of Messrs. Kempton and Company, Shanghai, died at sea while en route from Marseilles to Shanghai. Five months ago Mr. Kempton went on leave to France and the United Kingdom and was returning to Shanghai on board the French Mail liner "Andre Lebou." Mr. Kempton was born in Bukharest, Rumania, and was 46 years of age. He had been connected with the cotton and piece goods trade all his life.

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7010	(HONEST TOIL ...)	March
7011	(NO SURRENDER ...)	"
7006	(NATIONAL EMBLEM ...)	"
7007	(LIBERTY BELL ...)	"
7004	(WILLOW FLOWERS ...)	Barn Dance
7009	(HENRY'S ...)	"
7009	(JACKANAPES POLKA ...)	"
7009	(CHICAGO SCHOTTISCHE ...)	"
6974	(SWORD DANCE ...)	"
6974	(SHEAN TREWS ...)	"

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AIRSHIP DISASTER.

NEWPORT NEWS, February 22nd.

Thirty bodies have recovered. Com-

mander Ball was among the killed. The

two pilots, Reed and Burt, are among the

survivors. The occupants included seven

civilians and the flying captain. A mes-

sage from Hampton Roads reports that

if the *Homa* had been able to keep going

another yard it would have avoided

the wire with which it collided and would

have reached the water towards which it

was headed. One survivor stated that

the airship was only two hundred feet

up when the controls were carried away.

Immediate throwing out of ballast did

not avail to avert the nose-dive.

Norfolk, VIRGINIA, Feb. 22nd.

The total of the casualties in the *Homa*

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"SI'ILIA"	8,700	31st Mar.	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"KHIVA"	8,917	15th Apr.	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp.
"NOVARA"	8,902	29th Apr.	do.
"KALAN"	8,987	26th Apr.	do.
"PIASBY"	7,346	10th May	do.
"SIOLIA"	8,700	13th May	Singapore, Colombo & Bombay.
"DONGOLA"	8,900	24th May	MARSEILLES, LONDON & A'warp.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

"JANUS"	5,000	23rd Feb.	(Singapore, Penang, Rangoon (with transhipment at Singa- pore) and Calcutta.)
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

"EASTERN"	4,000	6th Mar.	(Manila, Thursday Island Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.)
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"TAKADA"	7,000	24th Feb.	Shanghai and Japan.
"DEVANHA"	8,000	27th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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ANYO MARU	18,000	Mar. 31st.
SEIYO MARU	18,000	May 15th.

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WEATHER REPORT.

February 23d, 11h. 33m.—Pressure has decreased very considerably over N.E. Japan, a depression having approached rapidly from westward. It has increased moderately at Weihaiwei and decreased slightly over S. China and N. Annam.

An anticyclone is probably forming over S.E. Mongolia.

Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. Coast of China and light monsoon over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.4 inch. Total since January 1st, 7.7 inches against an average of 2.77 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on February 24, 1922.

1.—Hongkong to Cap Rock: N.E. winds, moderate; overcast, rainy.
2.—Canton to Cap Rock: N.E. winds, freshening.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

FEBRUARY 23, 1922.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temp. surface.	Direction.	Wind	
					Force or Rate.	Weather.
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ODDS AND ENDS.**MAINLY SCISSORS LOOT.****Escape From Russia.**

M. Glazounoff, the Russian composer, has arrived at Riga from Petrograd. He is much aged by the privations he has endured, and gave a heartrending account of the sufferings of Madame Scriabin, the wife of his fellow composer, previous to her death from meningitis. The cold in Petrograd, he said, was even worse than the pang of hunger, and last winter, from November to the end of February, the houses were all icebound. M. Glazounoff also described a popular concert given at the Lenin Club in Petrograd. The audience, which had been brought in from the streets, included a number of beggars, and it was so cold in the hall that he himself could not take off his fur coat, and so was unable to play the piano.

Blucher's Palace Sold.

According to the *Lokalkeniger* Prince Blucher has sold the palace on the Pariser Platz, Berlin, which was presented to his famous ancestor by King Friedrich Wilhelm III. after the Battle of Waterloo. The purchaser is "a Lett named Zimding, richly endowed with dollars." Under the impression that the vendor is the third Prince, who died in 1916, the paper caustically reminds its readers that he preferred to live in England, and actually transported thither the carriage of Napoleon captured on the field of Waterloo, which used to be one of the historical treasures of the palace. It is probably ignorant of the fact that the present Prince committed an even worse deed. He married an Englishwoman, who, through her interesting reminiscences of social life in Berlin during the war, has recently come in for a good deal of attention in the German Government Press.

Neglected English.

Having recently acquired premises at 54, Tavistock-square, W.C., for the purposes of a club, Professor Walter Ripman, of London University, formally declared the building open as "The English Language Club." For a long period, the professor said, the English language was neglected, and only lip-service paid to the classics. The neglect struck them when they read their daily literature, and neglect of the spoken language assailed them at every turn. The English Language Club, without being pedantic, would do its best to allow English to flourish and make up for the neglect of earlier times. Propaganda was needed for English, not only at home but also abroad. The English people had been far too slow. They found classes subsidised by the French, and before the war by the Germans, in many parts of the world as a means of spreading the culture and language of those countries. Years ago he attempted to start similar classes for English, but no money was available. Their club must endeavour to find money for such a purpose. It was noticeable, however, the professor concluded, that latterly the spread of English was one of the most striking phenomena of the past seven years.

GENERAL ITEMS.

Forty-five thousand persons are down with influenza in the Rhineland district of Mayence.

There has been delivered in Blyth, Northumberland, a letter from Archangel, Russia, on which the postage was 10,000 roubles, a pre-war value of over £100.

A law has been passed by the French Senate charging a franc (5d.) entrance fee to all national places and museums except on Sunday and Thursday afternoon.

Revellers at a fancy dress ball at the St. George's Hotel, Cliftonville, Margate, bid up to £85 for bottle of beer auctioned on behalf of the funds of Margate Hospital.

Leading from the New Marine Station to the Admiralty Pier, the new viaduct road at Dover, which has cost in all about £120,000, was opened by the Mayoress of Dover.

The French census returns for 1921 show the population of France, including Alsace-Lorraine, as 39,402,739; including 1,550,449 foreigners, compared with 39,604,992 in 1911.

Subject to a State subvention being received, the Danish Air Traffic Company proposes to open a regular air service between Copenhagen and London via Rotterdam on May 1.

The old King's Arms, Eltham, S.E., where Charles Peace may well have spent his final free hours before "cracking" the Blackheath "crib" which ended his career must be rebuilt in six months' time in order to widen the High-street. Dick Turpin was another habitue.

It was stated at Eton College that although a sufficient number of pupils have been entered on the admission list to keep the school full until 1934, Old Etonians have no difficulty in getting their sons into the school. The number of scholars now exceeds 1,000. With the present accommodation it is impossible to take more. Application for admission are being received from all parts of the world.

The Bolsheviks have begun to punish a class of offenders who contrive to escape the clutches of the law in England—the persons who borrow books and do not return them. Two of them have just been sentenced to 7½ months' imprisonment by one of the people's courts at Moscow. The report of the case, given by *Izvestia*, quotes the president of the court as saying: "The People's Court holds that the criminal dishonesty of some citizens about books ought to be rooted out."

Marriages between persons of "incompatible ages" are to be forbidden in Turkey by the Nationalist Government of Asia Minor. A Bill prepared by the Health Ministry says that all engaged persons must have an "age affinity adapted to the procreation of robust offspring." Henceforth elderly men will be disqualified from marrying young women and young men will not be permitted to marry elderly women.

LAYING A GHOST.**UNLUCKY JAWBONE OF SARAWAK CHINESE.**

The Delphic Club—one of London's psychical centres—on December 22 had their annual competition of telling ghost stories.

The members, sitting in a dim light attempted to make each other's flesh creep by stories of ghosts, gruesome, ghosts fearful, and quite ordinary ghosts who just appeared and did nothing. All stories were told as true.

One of the members recounted how he investigated a haunted house with one of the present Cabinet Ministers, who insisted on waylaying a ghost, in company with a lady and a dog.

The recounter and the Minister—so the story ran—crouched in a room flooded with moonlight, and saw the door slowly opening.

"I asked the Cabinet Minister," said the storyteller, "if he would get up and see what it was. He replied 'No, no,' at first, but then crawled to the door and flung it open."

"Outside the door was the dog." The member of the club did not give the Cabinet Minister's name, and did not win the prize.

This was won by a traveller who told of an unfortunate Chinese who was eaten by a crocodile in Sarawak. The crocodile was caught, and the man's skull discovered inside it. Part of the jaw containing a gold tooth was subsequently given to a lady as a souvenir.

Eighteen months later the traveller found the jawbone being used as a charm at Monte Carlo. The ghost of the Chinese had followed it, and everyone who used the charm had very bad luck indeed. One man who possessed it died.

The unlucky charm, related the traveller, was eventually buried at sea.

The lady's prize was won by a story of a servant's ghost which returned to earth to work!

THE LAND OF PROMISE.

[Guernsey's income tax has reduced the island's deficit to just over £6,000, and the authorities propose reducing the income tax from 7d. to 6d. in the pound for 1922.]

Oh to be in Guernsey, now that New Year's there, When whoever wakes in Guernsey finds some morning unaware That the old familiar envelope has duly drifted round.

With its "first demand" for income tax—at sixpence in the pound! I wonder if in Guernsey, that incomparable spot,

The inhabitants consider that their existence is a lot? Do they settle with reluctance? Or with promptness and goodwill?

Do they kiss the tax collector when they go to pay his bill? I have not nursed illusions, a contented man I am;

I have not pined for Dixie or the joys of Alabama, I have not longed for exile in some Polynesian isle,

But Guernsey's proposition comes in very different style. Oh, put me down in Guernsey, by the sunshine and the sea,

And, as the ballad has it, you may leave the rest to me! Let Ireland have her Free State and whatever else she lacks,

But for me the Isle of Freedom that is (almost) free of tax! —"Lucio" in the *Manchester Guardian*.

BEWARE OF COLDS.

CHILDREN are much more likely to contract the contagious diseases when they have colds. Whooping cough, diphtheria, scarlet fever and consumption are diseases that are often contracted when the child has a cold. That is why all medical authorities say beware of colds. For the quick cure of colds you will find nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon and is pleasant and safe to take. For sale by all Chemists and Storekeepers.

SHIPPING.**JAPANESE SHIPPING.****THE INFANT INDUSTRY OF SHIP-BUILDING.**

The *Jiji* points emphatically to the necessity of superior ships being constructed. The authorities, it says, ought to afford proper assistance to those who may build ships for overseas activities, as such circumstances attend them that they have to take into due consideration the blow to be dealt to shipbuilders through the stoppage of the construction of warships. For that purpose, while offering cheap such material for men-of-war as may be appropriate for merchantmen, the authorities, for the good of shipbuilders, will have no choice but to lend money at low interest, because it is difficult for them to restore subsidies, since the shipbuilders are already favoured with the exemption from duty on construction material in place of shipbuilding subsidies. The necessity of doing so is set forth by the claim which the shipbuilders have laid before the Marine Affairs Committee for funds at low interest and on long terms, as construction cost. It is dubious, however, whether the Government can meet the wishes of the shipbuilders, who will not be satisfied except with large sums of money. It is impossible offhand to take measures for the betterment of Japan's shipbuilding trade before the end of the Washington Conference and the return of Admiral Kato, the Japanese delegate, as hinted by Viscount Takabashi, the Premier, in the Diet. Definiteness will be added to the matter by the time the extraordinary session of the Diet is convoked, however.

THE BENGAL SHIPPING CONFERENCE.

The competition between the Bengal Conference and the O.S.K. is steadily coming to a head, so far as the Calcutta shipping line is concerned. Neither of the two sides is likely to surrender, both reducing freights and increasing the number of voyages frequently. Although there are good cargoes to carry, serious losses are incurred owing to the low freights upon all the competitors, more especially upon the N.Y.K., for which the Calcutta line has been the most profitable. Some time ago, the N.Y.K. presented before the O.S.K. terms on which it could allow the invader to carry through its point, and it was even thought that it was only a question of time before these two rivals would come to terms. According to the *Asahi*, the British India Steam Navigation Co. and the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co. assume such a stalwart attitude against the admittance of the O.S.K. that the competition will not come to an end, unless a compromise is made between the Japanese companies. The Osaka journal learns that the British companies have proposed to the N.Y.K. that if it admits the O.S.K. into the Conference, more British ships must be also admitted in return, but this will be hardly tolerable for the N.Y.K. A consideration of this point leads to the conclusion that the time for the settlement of the prevailing competition will come, only when either the Conference or the O.S.K. gives way, being unable to carry on freight war, or the N.Y.K. acknowledges the admittance of more British ships with the O.S.K.

GENERAL NOTES.

Articles of the Messageries Maritimes company were changed at an extraordinary meeting held at Paris on December 23, to enable the share capital to be increased to 250,000,000 francs.

Our contemporary *Syren and Shipping* points out that in 1920 Hong-

kong displaced New York as the busiest port in the world. The shipping traffic of Hongkong in 1920 represented 24,194,022 tons while for New York the figure was 21,431,000 tons.

It is officially stated that there are 759 steamers of 1,000 tons or over, tied up in the various ports of Japan owing to the lack of cargo. The total tonnage is placed at 199,147. This is a decrease of 5,000 tons as compared with the figures for the same period during the preceding month.

Notice is given that the surveying beacons on Middle Island and Pientansha, approaches to Woeung, have been moved as follows: The beacon on Middle Island has been moved 1.36 cables N. 77½° W., magnetic, from its former position. The beacon on Pientansha has been moved 2.1 cables N., magnetic, from its former position.

A review of Colombo harbour for the year which has just ended reveals one astonishing fact—the rapid recovery of British shipping. This is revealed, remarks the *Ceylon Observer*, not in the number of vessels which called at the port during the year but in the reorganisation and re-establishment of the various cargo and passenger services by which Colombo is made a port of call.

At the end of December last, there were 53 idle ships of 72,012 tons in Japan that had previously been engaged on important routes. In comparison with the previous month, the number increased by 2, but tonnage decreased by 1,168 tons. This is because some unsubsidised ships have been allowed to serve the North American trade together with the increase in the import of wheat and flour from America and Canada.

San Francisco, February, 8.—The Pacific Mail Steamship Co. has announced that the steamer "Crocodile State" and "Wolverine State" are to be re-allocated to the company which will open a passenger and freight service direct to Manila stopping at Honolulu. Sailings will be maintained about every 28 days and will begin about the middle of April. The outbound voyage will be six days to Honolulu and 21 days to Manila. The return trip will be longer and permit a stay of several days in Honolulu for sightseeing. The *Granite State* will be added to the company's fleet on the Far Eastern run, plying from coast to coast, and will augment the east-bound service afforded by the other two steamers.

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SONG OF SOLOMON.**CLAIM TO DISCOVERY OF THE ORIGINAL MUSIC.**

What is claimed to be the oldest musical notation in the world and said to have been written by King Solomon more than 3,000 years ago for the mystic Song of Songs has been deciphered by the composer and producer Raoul Gunsbourg from the original contemporary manuscript copy of the Old Testament.

Raoul Gunsbourg, describing his discovery, relates that the Hebrew tunes which accompany the song have hitherto always been regarded as transmitted orally. "In 1893 I went to Kovno," he says, "and asked the Chazan at the synagogue to sing to me the finest passages of the Song of Solomon. I was at once struck with the fact that the first bars were identical with Suppé's opera 'Bohème,' and later, when I was staging Rimsky-Korsakov's 'Sadko' I noticed the same identity of inspiration. I had the original manuscript of the Kovno Bible, which is traditionally

supposed to date from the time of King Solomon, carefully copied. On studying it I found that the vowel accents placed above the words looked as if they might be musical notes. I saw that the vowel accents were sometimes large and some times small, and that they were divided into separate bars by dashes. My next discovery, which convinced me that I was right, was that written by the side of one of these passages of vowels were the Hebrew words, 'Sing softly.'"

Dismissing the report a rabbi in London said that it would want much investigation before any importance could be attached to it. "I am inclined to think that the story of the Kovno Bible is a legend," he said. "In England at any rate, there is no traditional music to the Song of Songs, and I have never heard it sung. Like other portions of the Old Testament, it is marked for intoning, but I have not heard it done."

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